

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
Suyker et al.)	Group Art Unit: 3773
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U.S. Patent Application No. 10/805,714)	Examiner: Phong Son H. Dang
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Title: Mechanical Anastomosis System)	
For Hollow Structures)	

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AND WITHDRAWAL OF FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

This is a combined request for reconsideration of the Final Rejection dated July 22, 2009 and, in the alternative, a request for withdrawal of the finality of the rejection. This response is timely by virtue of being filed within the shortened statutory period set in the Final Rejection. In addition, this response is being filed within two months of the Final Rejection.

It is considered that all fees due in connection with this response have been paid herewith. However, if the Director determines that any fees are due, the Director is hereby authorized to charge such fees to U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Deposit Account no. 50-0462.

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